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**TO:** Each Supervisor

**FROM:** Bryce Yokomizo, Director

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**SUBJECT: GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORK (GROW)  
(BOARD ORDER #83 - JUNE 15, 1999)**

As requested by your Board on June 15, 1999, attached is the report of key GROW statistics for May 2004 and an update on the GROW Program.

We placed 870 GROW participants in jobs during the month of May. A total of 50,664 job placements have been achieved since the inception of the GROW program in February 1999.

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Attachments

c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors  
Chief Administrative Officer  
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# GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORK (GROW) MAY 2004

MONTH	ORIENTATION AND JOB SKILLS ASSESSMENT		JOB SKILLS PREPARATION CLASS			JOB PLACEMENTS	SELF-INITIATED PROGRAMS (SIPS)
	Scheduled	Showed	Scheduled	Showed	Completions (1)		Ongoing Enrollments
May	5,330	3,560 (67%)	2,002	1,001 (50%)	762	870	1,056

MONTH	VOCATIONAL ASSESSMENTS		EDUCATION/ TRAINING		SUPPORTIVE SERVICE REFERRALS	GROW CASELOAD	SANCTIONS
	Scheduled	Showed	Started	Completions	(2)		
May	481	369 (77%)	77	8	333	27,413	1,688

**Note:**

- (1) Job Skills Preparation Class completions counts should not be tied to the scheduled/show counts, as completions include participants who began the 3-week Job Skills Preparation Class in the previous month but completed it in the report month.
- (2) Substance Abuse, Domestic Violence, Clinical Assessment and Mental Health treatment referrals.

## **GROW UPDATE MAY 2004**

### **JOB PLACEMENTS**

Since implementation in 2/99, a total of 50,664 job placements have been achieved through the GROW program.

- Pomona GROW held on-site recruitments on 5/13 and 5/25 with AVL Staffing and Goodwill Industries. Also, a recruitment activity was held on 5/25 at the L.A. Urban League with South California Edison. Hires are still pending.
- On 5/6, Metro Special GROW hosted a job fair with 17 employers and 350 participants in attendance. As a result of this job fair, 10 participants were hired on the spot, and additional hires are still pending.
- San Gabriel Valley GROW held on-site recruitments on 5/4 and 5/12 with MJO Staffing. Over 30 participants attended these events and seven have been hired. Other off-site recruitments activities were held on 5/4, 5/7, 5/14, 5/18, 5/19 and 5/21 with Ultimate Staffing, Staffmark, Corestaff and Nexcycle.
- Pasadena GROW held on-site recruitments on 5/11 and 5/26 with Corestaff and Kelly Homecare. Over 40 participants attended these activities and hires are still pending.
- During this month, Glendale GROW held an on-site recruitment with Remedy Staffing and Aerotek Commercial Staffing. Participants were also referred to off-site recruitments with American Consulting Inc., Diversity Employment Source, LAUSD, Helpmates Staffing and Federal Express. Hires are still pending.
- Civic Center GROW participated in several job development activities this month, including the Metro Special GROW job fair and a job fair held at LA Trade Tech. Additionally, two participants were hired as a result of a security training program with Securitas Security.
- Southwest Special GROW participated in various off-site recruitment activities including the Metro Special Job Fair, LA Trade Tech Job Fair and Carson Worksource Recruitment.
- South Special GROW held an on-site recruitment on 5/13 with Axiom Staff Management.
- South Central GROW held recruitments on 5/4, 5/12 and 5/8 with Aerotek Com Staffing.
- Throughout the month, Rancho Park GROW referred participants to various employers including UPS, Adecco, Apple One, Nexcycle and Universal Studios.

### **PROGRAM PARTICIPATION**

- Through May 2004, the cumulative participation rates for both Orientation and Job Skills Preparation Class continue to exceed 50%.